

The Filson Historical Society

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A Taylor - Hay Family.

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Correspondence 1866 to 1867.

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bolt I think. This must be seen to. In fact
it will not do to use it without a consistent
grease is put on the wheel. —

When I get to New York I hope to mail
a letter from you, probably one in Liverpool.
This is the first news we have had
to me.

With love to your little sister and brother
and sincere wishes for your physical improvement
I am

Affectionately Yours
E Taylor

I have gotten the children some pretty little
rings of celebrated places and will cut the
girls' rings. I will get you a knife from the
manufacturer.

Glasgow August 5th 1866
My dear Forget

I have written your
mother by to day's mail giving par-
ticulars of my route of travel from the
City of Liverpool in England to this
the principal city in Scotland. If you
will refer to Colton's Atlas of the British
Empire you can trace it. I think I
have a later Atlas which you had
probably better use.

England, Scotland, Ireland
and Wales comprise the Kingdom of Great
Britain and are governed by the Queen,
Victoria. At her death the Prince of Wales, being
the oldest son, heirs the throne as King.
The commerce of Great Britain is the
greatest in the world, and while the territory
I have named is small, her possessions are

immense. The British North American provinces (including Canada) Australia, and India are large, the population of India alone being four fold greater than that of the United States.

Our country, however, is the best in the world, having greater resources, and more varied productions. I want you to give your attention to farming and learn the reasons for everything you do, and learn in time to be a much better farmer than we now find in the next. To do this will require the study, attention and ability that is required for other first class professions. Anybody can follow the ground, and reap the rich fruits of rich soil. You must learn to make two blades grow, where only one grew before.

Take an interest in it, and in growing hogs, sheep, and cattle.-

I feel very happy in believing that

you try always to meet my wishes, and I hope your Uncle will give a good account of you.

The best way for a boy to gain the love and respect of everybody is to mind and respect his parents.

The alacrity with which, in Frankfort, you always met my wishes, and promptly did as you were told secured you the good will and even admiration of my friends.

Bear this in mind, and let it always be so. Let your mothers wish be your law and pleasure. She will never wish you to do anything but what you should do, and for your good.

You should also remember you are the oldest, and always be kind and loving to the younger children, never out of humour. This practice and thought will enable you to do.

When the wagon was fixed by the Black Smith, the day we went to the meat field, it was only temporarily done. It needs a coupling

San Antonio
Feb 27/69

C. D. S. Donnelly,

Sir

Karns County writes to me that their portion of the land has been sold for taxes & Mr. H. L. Ford by my information. What time this took place, I am not sure you have no such information. The land & Hollins letter insinuated, there has been no sale, I will make immediately to Karns County and have the proper steps taken.

I saw a Mr. W. Kline the other day who lives at Seguin, Medina County, — a son of the Grattan who paid the taxes in former years. He told me he believed the new papers

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amongst those of his father's estate
concerning this land and the taxes;
and said he would tell the attorney
to write to me. When the letter ar-
rives I will send you a copy.

Mr. Hatt called this morning
and I had that hard & gloomy at-
try to him. He was a good deal
concerned about it, he admitted
nothing could be done - the
kins being minors. I have written
to him to protect the land
from alienation which is
likely to come from numerous
the settlers being drawn in from
the frontier of the Indians.

this estate
to the taxrs;
the other
the latter as
a copy.

is money
& you get
a good deal
in addition
done - the
I have written
the land
nearly is
numerous
in your
ideas.

Recurring to this Sale, or Shares
the result of always having some
Money on hand or ~~settled~~ same person
ready to act to prevent by the & the
kind. In a tax sale in Texas amounts
almost to ~~know nothing~~, No body cares
for it, No body wants it. And yet the most
worthless tax sale always comes in
caused trouble and expense.

Rush &
Geo H. Deacon

White March 27th 1864

My Dear Son -

You Pa received yours of the 16th yesterday, we were so much delighted to hear that Grandpa was better have been very anxious indeed to know how he was, & very impatient for a letter or dispatch from some of you. Has Aunt Fanny & Aunt Maria received letters from me lately? as soon as you Pa received yours letter before this telling us of Grandpa's illness I wrote to Aunt Fanny & to Aunt Maria a while before, ask them both to write to me - Tell Aunt Fanny to write one all about Grandpa's illness, & what she thinks is the matter with my precious Baby Day - & about Rebecca's children, if she looks badly & seems to be sick much from nursing them - I am always afraid of her children coming in a serious spell of illness - it is most always the case - I hope they will soon be stopped - I also hope that Grandpa is well enough to sit up by this time, but she ought to be very careful indeed not to get up too soon & not to expose herself to cold - Oh how I do hope it will not be a great while before we can be with you - My constant prayer is that we may find you all well & happy I'll send you your every idea though as to when you Pa will be able to leave

Mobile, he does not know himself -
you & my precious little Mary Belle must be very
careful that you do not have them - I am very
much afraid you will all have them soon this
Spring - How does Grandpa & others living like the new
nurse? I hope all do not give them any trouble
I have not heard from Frankfort since Uncle John
was here so I do not know how Grandpa is, our
Favillas Mother either - We went over to New Orleans
again last week, we only three part of a day - we
were sick this time - You do not know dashing how
after Grandpa & I both wish you were with us - We
had in your Cousin Tom & Wife Sam (82) rode out to the
Colleges where their son is going to school, to see him, he
has grown very much since I saw him last, Tell about
him - He was last a week or so ago - he is quite a large
healthy looking boy - he is over the Bay with cousin Tom's
Wife Mother, going to school - I have taken quite a fancy to
cousin Tom's wife - am with her nearly every day - she always
goes out shopping with me Tell about Jimmy & Fannie I have
bought them pretty linen lawn - I will not say what other
else I will bring them, ask Grandmother what she would
rather have - I intend bringing her a bolt of domestic & a
nice purple calico anything but I would rather know what she
would like best - I will not forget you my Darling Friends
of our dear children - & now much love to all & not forgetting
Uncle John & his wife - His Baby, Mary Belle & Rebecca &
Pa & Ma & tell them to kiss you for us Tell Baby not to forget his
Mammy - Yours devotedly Mama Fannie -

A faint, diagonal watermark reading "The Filson Historical Society" in a serif font, oriented from the bottom-left towards the top-right of the page.



Missouri June 13.66
204 South 5th Street

Mrs A B Lewis

St Louis Mo

Dear Madam

I duly received
Your letter of 28 May and now send you
in accordance with the request contained
in it all the papers concerning the Texas
Lands in which your late husband was
interested.

The package goes as you
requested by Adams Express Co. addressed
to you to the care of General Beauregard
Jefferson Barracks St Louis Mo.

Herein you will find the receipt for
the same.

With much respect
Yours truly
Jno T. Hartman

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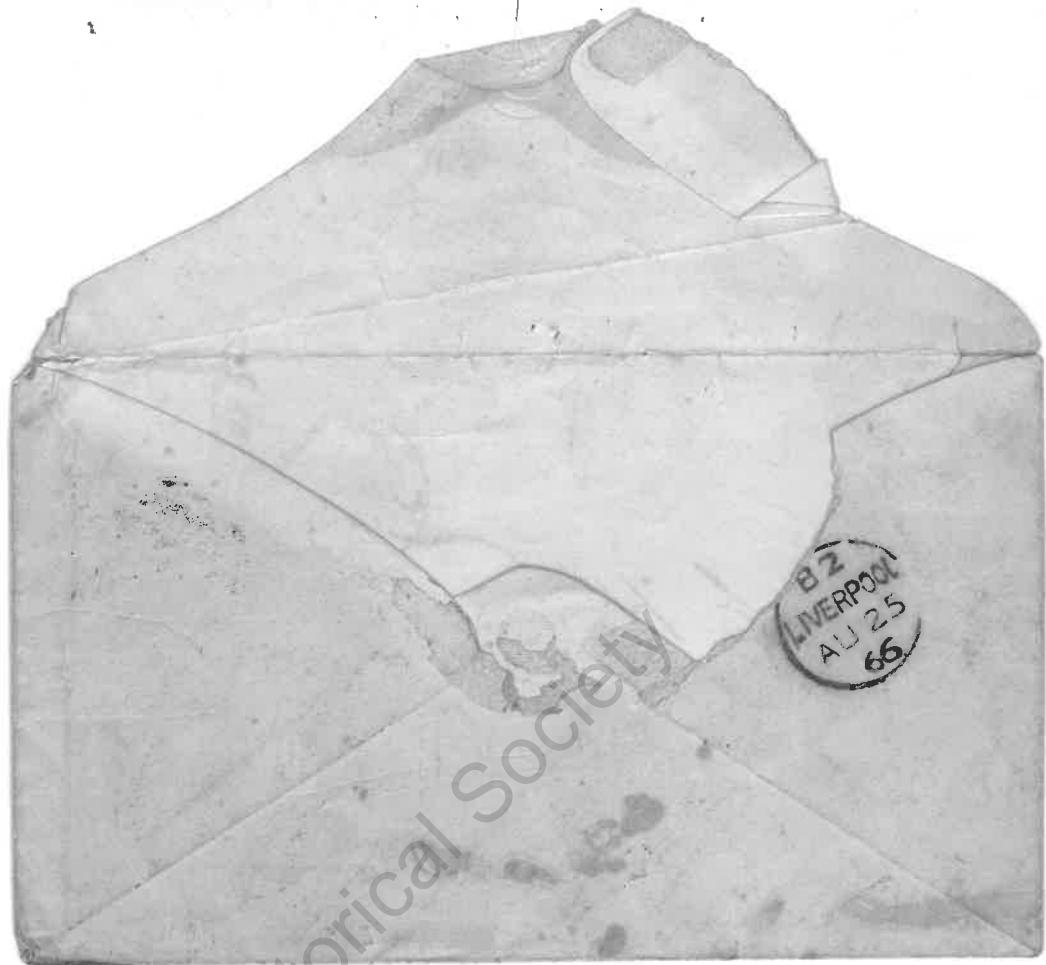
Mrs Murphy Bought for Mr E H Taylor

2 silk drapes 11 yds each, extra width
at 184 $\frac{1}{2}$ francs each 369.00
2 silk drapes 12 yds each, extra width
at 175 $\frac{1}{2}$ francs each 351.00
4 yds black Velvet 94.00
3 collars 17.00
francs 831.00

Paid by Mrs Murphy & paid 1/2%
Bank & Exchange Commission for
money

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Paris Aug 20/01

Mr Taylor

Dsp

My wife bought
the linen &c in London for
you, & I told Mr Spofford of
No 7 Milk street, to send
to A.G.S.C. with Bill &c.

I enclose Bill of purchases made
for you here, & sent the articles
by Express to A.G.S.C. from
whom they will collect freight
& charge 3 francs for packing.
I am sorry you did not
come while we are in
Paris — leave in few
hours for Switzerland, &
will be gone a week.

In haste —

W. Sturz

J. Murphy

Spofford
1/6
4/6
2/6
24/-
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Mr. J. C. Frémont
of the U.S. Army
had a very difficult
time in his first
expedition into the
interior of the country.
He was compelled to
travel over a great
part of the country
in a very poor condition
and with little or no
protection from the
elements. He was
however successful
in his object of
discovering the
country and its
resources.

Very truly yours
John C. Frémont

John C. Frémont

Office of Pepper & Co.

Frankfort, Ky. October 26, 1866

J. Thornton Esq

Cashier Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find our draft
on J. B. Alexander & Co New York \$11,500.

In payment of acceptance like amount of Messrs.
J. E. Curran & Co due in Mobile Oct 7th in summa-

In consideration of former of very short cotton
crop this season we have concluded to hold what we
have unsold and therefore beg you order return
of Messrs Curran & Co's acceptance as laid here.

Finding this will more agreeable and thanking
you for your kindness we remain

Very truly Yours
John Thornton & Co

I find a letter from you
dated July 1st / 1866
at Gainesville,
but nothing more
from that date tell
the one dated Sep
26th at Frankfort

" H. H. W. "

" in haste "

~~35-100~~

~~92~~

I found this information scribbled on the reverse side of
a bit of wall-paper in the Taylor papers; but I did not, unlike
the author of it, // find a letter from you dated July 1st, 1866 at
Gainsville // This information is important, even though the letter
appears to be lost because it fixes the approximate date of Tay-
lor's first European trip---July, 1866. He either crossed or came
home on the good ship Java, which is not fixed at this time. The port
from which he sailed is not remembered; although, as he was in the
South at the time, he probably went aboard at Savannah.

~~This was covered with a description of the waves and pictures of
the boat with passenger lists if I can obtain them in time.~~



In Affectionate Remembrance of
SAMUEL DARLINGTON,

THE BELOVED SON OF
JOHN AND ELIZABETH DARLINGTON,

Who died December the 24th, 1866,

AGED 22 YEARS,

And was interred at the Radcliffe Church, Dec. 27th.

You that are young, prepare to die,
For I was young though here I lie,
Remember death, for it is good;
A rose may wither in the bud.

Our son is gone, and we are left
The loss of him to mourn,
But may we hope to meet again
With Christ before the throne.

Louisville January 20 1864

The following letter from John Wesley to Rev. Samuel Turner of St. Stephen's Cornwall was handed to us by General Clinton B. Stokely late of the Freedmen Bureau it was given to him by an autograph collector who purchased it in England of its genuineness. There can be no doubt it is not to be found in his published works though they contain others of the same series
I have entirely lost my taste for controversy I have lost my readiness in disputing and I take this to be a providential discharge from it all. I can now do with a clear conscience is not to enter into a formal controversy about the New Birth or justification by faith any more than Christian perfection but simply to declare my judgment and mind to declare my judgment and mind to explain myself as clearly as I can upon any difficulty that may arise concerning it so far. I can go with you but no further I still say and without any self contradiction I know no persons living who are so deeply conversant with the need of Christ both as Prophet Priest and King as those who believe themselves and whom I believe to be cleansed from all sin I mean from all pride anger envy desire idolatry and unbelief these very persons more feel their own ignorance littleness of grace coming short of the full mind that was in Christ and walking less than they might have done after this divine pattern: are more convinced of the insufficiency of all they are: have odds to bear the eye of God without a Mediator; are more penetrable with a sense of the want of him than ever they were before if the measure of man ever says: that coming short is sin to it, so I can and not. but still I say: these are they whom I believe to be scripturally perfect and yet these never feel their want of Christ so deeply and strongly as they do now; if in saying this have fully given up point: what would you have me do is it not enough that I leave you to boast your superior power against the little weak shafts of Lucifer's error; canst not thou be content as the greater said: to lay John Wesley on his back but thou must break his guts out
here are persons exceeding holy and happy

of a measure praying always: in writing
every thing giving thanks: feeling the love of G
od: and man every moment: feeling no pride
or other evil tempers: if these are not perfect then
scriptural word has no meaning slp: you must
not wretched at that word: you are not wiser than
the Holy Ghost but if you are not see that you
teach perfection too: but are they not sinners?
explaining the term in one way: and I say yes:
another: and I say no: are they cleansed from
all sin? I believe they are: indeed from all
sinful tempers but have they then need of Christ?
I believe they have in the sense and for the reasons above
mention'd now be this true or false it is uncontrover-
tional it is consistent with itself and I think consistent
with right reason and with the whole oracles of
God: like summary: let you and I go to
perfection God grant we may so run as to attain
I am your affectionate friend and I Pray for you & family

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Saint Louis Mo.

Feb. 18 1867

Judge Duncan

Care of Mrs. Adams

San Antonio. Texas

Sir -

Learning from my Sister, the
personal regard kindly and her good
husband Col. Crittenden entreat you for
you. - They urge me to present my
case to you care, satisfied it will
be promptly attended to. - I have
ventured to address you on the
subject. The enclosed statement will
explain the amount and location of
the lands in question, it furnishes the
last information I find upon my
papers - and all my efforts to
learn the exact condition respecting
payment of taxes &c have been
unsuccessful. These lands were

donated to W. J. Davis for services at
the time of Revolution of Texas - He was
slain at the Alamo - and by
agreement of all the heirs, - they became
the property of my husband G. J. Davis.
His death, places the care of these
lands with me - for self and his two
children, - respectively, 11 & 13 Years
of age -. My object in this commun-
ication is to request you as my
agent, to furnish me with information
regarding the payment of taxes due -
and for the proper preservation of this
property for my children - of course
as it is impossible to send funds by
the mail with safety - to name the
amounts due - and upon what city
a draft for the amount would be
preferable - In the hope of an early
reply -

I am Most Respectfully
Yours ob. At

P.S. Genl. Bonneville is at my
door; observing the address to
care of Mr. Adams, writes me to
enquire if not this lady his Cousin
Mrs. Bradley whom he met at y^r^e
City, at the time of Genl. Wool's campaign,
if so, please present his regards. —

Nabuged Iowa. 25th June 1857.

E H Taylor Jr Esq
Lexington Ky.

My Dear Sir,

I have an accommo-
dation note for \$350- due the Northern Bank on
or about the 10th of July, which I must ask you
to pay for me as I find it will be utterly impos-
sible to be there to give it personal attention. I do
not know another man on earth (aside from my family.)
that I would ask to do this for me; and I hope
the day is not far distant in which I can give
you some more substantial evidence than mere
thanks of my high appreciation of the many
acts of kindness that I have received at your
hands. I wrote you from St Louis requesting you
to send the Sioux City papers to me at Vermont.
Cooper Co. Mo. I hope to find them there upon
my return to Missouri as it is my present pur-
pose to go to Sioux City early in next month. I am
now satisfied that Genl Jones offered the property
at a low price. I came here for the purpose of
seeing him but found on my arrival that he
had started to Sioux City a week since, leaving a
letter for me declining absolutely to sell for less
than \$17,000 They are pushing their rail road
vigorously and have it finished 40 miles already,
and are laying the iron now on another section.

of 40 miles, and confidently expect to have at least 100 miles completed before winter stops their work. The western terminus will necessarily be a place of importance, and the opinion of well informed gentlemen is that Sioux City opens with fairer prospects of rapid growth than any western town on the Missouri. It is my purpose to buy some lots there, regarding the investment as safe beyond peradventure.

I shall probably leave here tomorrow for St Louis and shall be happy to receive a letter from you (addressed to Vermont Mr:) containing your views with regard to money matters or so as I have not had a line from Kentucky since I left, and am totally in the dark as to home affairs. Money is awfully tight out here and commands almost fabulous rates of interest
Very truly yours


October 12th 1867.

My dear Anne -

I cannot let only a formal invitation go to you that I love so dearly - Mary Campbell told me she had invited you & the Genl.; so I wrote to him acknowledging his kind messages & saying I would be so glad to have him & you - but, as I have received no response, I fear it has miscarried - I did hope to be well enough off to send such a substantial invitation to you & the dear children & my many that you would not have

the good people from home, but, that
sets out of the question. Minnie says
it would break her heart to recall the days
of her happiness - Dr. H. is not courageous
for Collie to leave. Many fine concert afford
the expense - & only Cousin M. can come.
Charlie will be on - Cat is in Paris -
The weather here is perfect & the country
beautiful. I expect to spend this winter
with Charlie - to tell me something
of Alice Bacon. Has the darling children
for me - May God bless you all
as ever yr loving sister
Many & often

~~San Antonio~~
San Antonio
Octr 8/67

Mrs C. J. Lewis.

My Madam.

Something like three months ago, I wrote you informing you that I had learned the situation and quality of the lands spoken of in your communication; that a portion - the smaller - lay down in Karnes County some sixty-five or seventy miles below San Antonio, about ten miles from San Antonio river on the west side of it, somewhat dependent on timber and water but near enough to the river for stock, rich in grasses, in the heart of the cattle raising country; that the other portion - the larger - lay in the Hill Country which sweeps around San Antonio to the North, North West, and West; in Bandera County; well watered and

and Supply country turned; in a region
which for ship raising has no ~~super~~^{super}
nor any where; that as soon as our unhappy
country becomes settled, these lands must become
very valuable; that it would be unwise
to part with them; that they were safe as
the title, and that I had placed them
in charge of good men to protect them.
that I had written to the law patrols
who informed me he would give me ^{\$100}
the proper information at some future time
that I could not give you a detailed
Statement - neither can I do at now
such is the confusion and uncertainty of
our government (State) and country gener-
ally; that I might find himself and
his ^{family} dollars (\$350) would cover all the
expenses - expenses number, say'd. \$1
and that the title being break up and
fixed, and taxes paid, there would be
no further expense up to pay the collector
as they annually accrue in the future.

in a n'gious
as no ~~one~~ ^{one} sup-
- as our unhappy
lands must become
to be turned
by men like us
I placed them
to protect them.
Law Petrolers
and you are
some petition time
a detailed
2d, at now
in our County &
in County your
humored and
over all the
land, sayed, &
break up and
then would be
pay the Cattor
in the pattern.

This was about the substance of my
letter. But I have heard nothing from
you. Perhaps it may arrived. It will
cost, undoubtedly to pay the taxes at
the earliest moment. It grows against
tax sales, law suits ~~etc.~~, encroaching
up on the land, wasting the timber &c.
I understand you to say that up to 1859
filed. were due?

Respectfully
Geo H. Duncan.